Dear Honorable Members of the Environment Committee

I write today to implore you to please vote no on HB 5295, a bill that establishes a factory-like farming program that causes the slaughter of many thousands of rabbits for food consumption. The bill is supported because it purports to promote farming in our state. But rabbits are the third most popular family pet after dogs and cats. And while the rest of the country has recognized and elevated rabbits as pets, and to protect our climate and our planet, it is well established science that agriculture must veer away from meat products. Passing this ill-conceived bill will constitute a major step backward. PLEASE VOTE NO. Thank you,

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